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The Honorable Abbott Washburn Deputy Director United States Information Agency Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Abbott:

Many thanks for your note of 28 December attaching the copy of State Department telegram #1772 of 19 December from Djakarts. I was delighted to get this news.

Sincerely.

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Allen W. Dulles Director

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December 28, 1960

Dear Allen:

Further on Project HOPE and the ONI Report, did you happen to see the attached telegram from Ambassador Jones?

Sincerely,

Abbott Washburn

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Enclosure: Telegram No. 1772, December 19, from Ambassador Jones, Djakarta, to Secretary of State. Official Use Only.

The Honorable Allen W. Dulles Director Central Intelligence Agency

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IN TERMS OF PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPACT PROJECT HOPE HAS ACHIEVED RESULTS CONSIDERABLY BEYOND ANY WE HAD RIGHT TO EXPECT IN VIEW OF MANY PROBLEMS WHICH WE RECOGNIZED WOULD CONFRONT PROJECT.

STATEMENTS MADE IN ALUSNA REPORT ARE ALL TRUE. HOWEVER, THIS EVALUATION IS FROM MEDICAL/NAVAL POINT OF VIEW WHICH SEEMS TO ME TO GIVE INSUFFICIENT EMPHASIS TO MORE FAVORABLE ASPECTS. IT IS TRUE INITIAL PERFORMANCE FELL BELOW EXPECTATIONS OF INDONESIANS. THIS DID NOT SURPRISE ANYONE. MEDICAL, ADMINIS-TRATIVE, PUBLIC RELATIONS PROBLEMS, EVEN THOUGH FORESEEN AND TO A DEGREE PREPARED FOR, COULD NOT HAVE BEEN SOLVED UNTIL ACTUAL ARRIVAL IN MANY INSTANCES. THESE PROBLEMS HAVE BEEN MET AND OVERCOME IN EFFECTIVE WAY AND MINISTER OF HEALTH HAS INFORMED ME PERSONALLY THAT HE IS SATISFIED.

HOPE HAS PIONEERED IN AN ABSOLUTELY NEW FIELD AND THE WONDER IS THAT IT HAS FUNCTIONED AS EFFECTIVELY AS IT HAS. IT COULD NOT BE EXPECTED THAT NEW GROUND OF THIS NATURE COULD BE PLOUGHED WITHOUT MANY DIFFICULT PROBLEMS BEING ENCOUNTERED. IN MY OPINION MANY MORE ARE LIKELY TO OCCUR. IF THESE ARE DEALT WITH PATIENCE AND GOOD WILL ON THE PART OF RESPONSIBLE INDONESIANS/AMERICANS, AS THEY HAVE BEEN IN THE PAST, I AM SURE THE PROJECT WILL CONTINUE TO BE WELL JUSTIFIED BY THE OVER-ALL GOOD WILL IT ENGENDERS. FOLLOWING EXTRACT FROM MY LETTER TO DR. WALSH DATED DECEMBER 12:

"THERE IS NO DOUBT IN MY MIND THAT HOPE PROJECT HAS BEEN ONE OF MOST USEFUL DEMONSTRATIONS OF AMERICAN FRIENDSHIP EVER TO

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BE SEEN IN INDONESIA. I KNOW THAT AS THIS FINE SHIP, WITH ITS DEDICATED PEOPLE, TRAVELS FROM PORT TO PORT IT WILL CONTINUE TO SPREAD PARTICULARLY THOSE VIRTUES WHICH WE AMERICANS MOST CHERISH AND WHICH ALL PEOPLE UNDERSTAND IF THEY ARE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY".

JONES

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